

Amendments to the Specification

Page 4, lines 15-24, please rewrite as follows:

The present invention provides a method for removing Mn from cobalt sulfate solution comprising the steps of:
adjusting pH of the solution within the range of ~~above 2.5 to 6 or lower~~;
adding the NaOCl to the solution to obtain an oxidation-reduction potential in the range of 1100 to 1300 mV, with respect to standard hydrogen electrode (SHE); and
removing Mn precipitate from thus treated solution.